

REMARKS

I. Amendment

It is submitted that the amendments to the specification and drawings are supported by the application as originally filed and add no new matter.

Claims 1-31 have been cancelled and new Claims 57-76 have been added by this amendment.

II. Notice of Claims in Other Patent/Published Applications [MPEP 2001.06(d)]

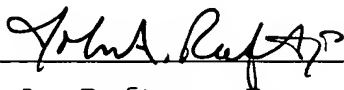
In compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure following the guidelines of MPEP 2001.06(d) and 37 CFR 1.607(c), new Claims 57-76 filed herein have substantially copied claims 1-20 from U.S. published application No. 2003/0075602 (cited in the concurrently filed IDS).

Conclusion

It is submitted that the application is in condition for examination and favorable consideration is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

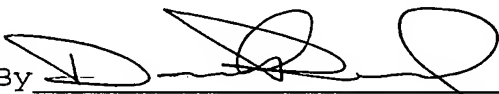
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Attached: Replacement drawing Fig. 16